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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED JANUARY 14, 2004**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 14, 2004 for which the date for response was February 14, 2004.

A request for a one month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This one-month extension will bring the due date to March 14, 2004, which is within the six-month statutory period. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of **\$110.00** to Deposit Account No. 01-2508/11362.0025.DVUS03 for the one-month extension of

time. Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Deposit Account No. 01-2508/**11362.0025.DVUS03**.